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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

As a long retired attorney graduate of the U of Chicago law school, who studied and practiced competition and monopoly law, I urge rejection the USTelecom petition seeking "forbearance from Section 251(c)(3)".

The FCC needs to approve rules that foster utmost market place competition, while rejecting all attempts by existing telecom monopolies to limit such competition.

As a senior resident of the SF Bay area I have been able to obtain superior independent competitive telephone and internet service, while enjoying excellent customer service and lower charges, in relation to those of monopoly providers.

In this age, all internet and telephone services are critically important public utilities , especially giant corporate monopolies need to regulated to prohibit unconscionable charges for indispensable residential services.

Respectfully,

Ron Rattner